(iii) Decentralized Distributed Generation (DDG) and Supply System from central sources for villages/habitations where grid supply is not cost effective and where Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources would not be providing electricity through their programme(s).

The scheme *inter alia* provides for financing of electrification of all un-electrified Below Poverty Line (BPL) households in the country with 100% capital subsidy as per norms of Kutir Jyoti Programme in all rural habitations.

The scheme covers the entire country and funds would be provided for electrification of un-electrified villages and un-electrified habitations.

The above scheme merges the Minimum Needs Programme (MNP) for rural electrification.

Setting up new power plants in Andhra Pradesh

3659. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the energy produced from the power plants situated in Andhra Pradesh:

(b) whether there is any plan to set up new plants in Andhra Pradesh to produce energy; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): The details of energy generated from the power plants in all sectors situated in Andhra Pradesh during the year 2004-05 is 62613.91 Million Units (MUs). The sector-wise generation is as under:

Sector wise	Energy (MUs)
State sector	29171.62
Private sector	8162.84
Central sector	25279.45

(b) and (c) Electricity being a concurrent subject, supply and distribution of electricity is the responsibility of the State Government/State Power Utility concerned. The Central Government only supplements the efforts of States by setting up power plants through Central Power Sector Undertakings, in which the States have entitlements.

The following generation capacity is envisaged to be added during the current year (*i.e.* 2005-06), 2006-07 and XI Plan period (2007—12) in Andhra Pradesh.

Sector	2005-06	2006-07	XI Plan
State Sector	-	420	660
Private Sector	2058	-	713

In addition, 220 MW capacity is likely to be commissioned during 2006-07 and capacity addition of 3450 MW is envisaged during 11th Plan in the Central Sector in Southern Region, in which Andhra Pradesh will have entitlements.

Shortage of coal and gas to NTPC

3660. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) is facing serious shortage of coal and gas supply;

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to ensure unhindered supply of coal and gas to NTPC plants;

(c) whether any alternative factors are also being considered; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) (i) Steps taken by the Government to ensure unhindered supply of coal and gas are as under:

(a) The coal supply position to thermal power stations is vigorously monitored in Central Electricity Authority and Ministry of Power.

(b) The Infrastructure Constraints Review Committee, headed by Secretary (Co-ordination) in the Cabinet Secretariat, reviews the coal production and supply to thermal power stations in the country every month.

(c) Ministry of Coal is being insisted upon to enhance the production of coal in the country.

(d) Ministry of Coal has been approached for allocation of coal blocks for captive mining by power utilities.